RISE OF THE HAZARDOUS DISEASES IN BIHAR

284. DR. BAPU KALDATE :

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that Bihar counts for the highest number of T.B., leprosy, Kala-azar cases in the country and that AIDS cases in the State are on the rise alarmingly;

(b) if so, whether the State Government of Bihar has submitted any report to the Centre or any assessment has been made by the Central Government in this regard;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what is the nature and quantum of central assistance given so far and proposed to be given to the Bihar Government to meet the situation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR) : (a) to (c) Bihar does have the largest number of Kala-azar and Leprosy cases in the country. But the reports received from the State Government do not indicate that it has the highest number of TB cases or that there is an alarming rise in the AIDS cases in the State.

(d) *The diseases?wise budget allocation* made for the State of Bihar during 1992-93 and 1993-94 (proposed) is given below:

(Rs in lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of Disease	B.E. 92-93	B.E. 93-94
1.	Kala-azar	1926.28	2000.00
2.	T.B	143.00	190.00
3.	Leprosy	200.00	200.00
4.	AIDS	42.75	39.78

THE RAO TULARAM HOSPITAL REMAINING INOPERATIONAL

285. DR. BAPU KALDATE :

SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Rao Tula Ram Hospital is suffering from various problems and has been inoperative for the last three years;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof stating the reasons for delay in making the hospital fully operational; and

(c) what are the measures taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND) : (a) to (c) OPD services were started in August, 1989. Indoor services, however, could not be started because of water and electricity shortage. A sum of Rs. 80.00 lakhs has been paid to M.C.D. for providing dedicated water-line to the hospital. DESU is also expected to complete shortly all formalities for providing regular electric connection to the hospital. Certain posts are also to be filled up.

NUMBER OF AMBULANCES IN DELHI

286. SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of Ambulance vehicles serving in the capital;

(b) whether the number is adequate; and